(d) the stringent action taken against such shameful incidents; and

(e) the steps taken by the NHRC to stop recurrence of such incidents in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) took cognizance in the case of Smt. Usha Kiran Vajpai, who while on Pulse Polio Programme duty was harassed, misbehaved with and fired upon by policemen of Jalaun District of Uttar Pradesh resulting in amputation of one of her legs. The Commission awarded Rs. 5 lakhs as immediate interim relief to the victim to be paid by the Uttar Pradesh Government.

(c) The NHRC awarded compensation in a total of 67 cases relating to allegations of police torture in the last three years as follows:–

2000-2001	28
2001-2002	15
2002-2003	24

(d) The Central Government has issued advisories from time to time to all State Governments to sensitize the police forces through proper training to avoid violation of human rights. Since, law and order is a State subject it is for the State Government to take appropriate action to prevent incidents of violation of human rights by the police authorities.

(e) The Commission has from time to time recommended compensation/disciplinary action/prosecution against the delinquent public servants in appropriate cases.

Insurgency in Nagaland

4270. SHRI SWARAJ KAUSHAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons killed and wounded on account of Naga insurgency during last five years;

(b) how many of those, killed and wounded during Naga insurgency, were security personnel; and

(c) the number of Naga insurgents killed and wounded during last five years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) to (c) According to available information, 530 persons including civilians, Security Forces personnel and militants were killed due to Naga insurgency, during the last five years *i.e.* from 1998 to 2002, as per details given below:

Civilians	97
Security Forces Personnel	26
Militants	407
TOTAL	**530**

Details of wounded persons have not been maintained.

Exploration/exploitation of minerals in Andhra Pradesh

4271. SHRI RAMA MUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY:
SHRIMATI N.P. DURGA:

Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh has made any request to the Ministry to encourage private participation in exploration and exploitation of the available 48 major and minor mines in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) steps taken by the Ministry in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF MINES (SHRI RAMESH BAIS): (a) No, Sir. Under the provisions of Mines and Minerals (Development & Regulation) Act, 1957 (MMDR) and the Rules framed thereunder, there is no bar for private participation for exploration and exploitation of major as well as minor minerals in the country.

(b) and (c) In view of (a) above, do not arise.

Zinc smelters set up in the country

4272. SHRI SURENDRA LATH: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of zinc smelters set up in the country and location thereof;